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Washington, DC 20231

Docket No. **R-456**  
Customer No. **26619**  
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Sir:

1. This is a Request for filing a new utility PATENT APPLICATION entitled: **TRANSGENIC MICE CONTAINING UBIQUITIN-SPECIFIC PROTEASE GENE DISRUPTIONS** without a filing fee or Oath/Declaration but for which is enclosed the following:

2. **52** pages of specification and claims;
3. **01** page of Abstract;
4. **25** numbered claims; and
5. **03** sheets of informal drawings, Figures **1** to **2B**.
6. Applicants claim small entity status in accordance with 37 CFR §1.27.
7. This application is made by the following named inventors:

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8. ☒ **Domestic** priority is claimed under 35 USC 119(e)/120/365(c) based on the following provisional application:

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